Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Lora Mae Gore of Vandalia, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday with a special celebration on March 18, 2007, at the Modern Maturity Building in Vandalia; and

Whereas, on March 18, 1907, on a farm in Ralls County, God brought a special gift to Bowen and Mertie Campbell Powell with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Lora Mae, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Lora Mae Gore had the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her seventy-two-year marriage to Basil Gore (now deceased), and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, Lora Mae Gore has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include three children and their spouses, Dora and Vernon Clifton, Dorothy and William "Bill" Martin, and the late Powell Gore; four grandchildren and their spouses, Merle Clifton, Rodney and Muriel Martin, Shirley and Stanley Gieselman, and Jane and John Gartman; her great-grandchildren, Sara Gartman, Hanna Gartman, Derek Clifton, Ryan Clifton, Craig Martin, and Scott Martin; and a number of great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Lora Mae Gore has further distinguished herself as a cherished member of Spencer Creek Baptist Church; and

**Whereas**, at the respectable age of 100, Lora Mae Gore is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Lora Mae Gore at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Lora Mae Gore, as a measure of our tremendous esteem for her.

Offered by	
	Representative Terry L. Witte
	District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1729, adopted April 4, 2007.